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Council votes to repair south 23 Street

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

The town is not quite done with 23 Street yet, as council voted on June 25 to award a \$157,828 contract to Rudydale Asphalt Works to resurface the portion of the road that runs south of 7 Avenue, up to the county line.

It was a difficult decision, as there were three contractors who submitted a total of six different tenders for the road, but councillors settled for the option that was suggested by public works officials.

Rudydale proposed placing approximately 75 millimetres of recycled asphalt onto the existing road, depending on how much material is needed to level the road, and top it off with 50 millimetres of hot mix, according to town documentation.

Mayor Brian Wittal said he has been receiving many comments on that stretch of road, and is pleased to inform residents that the town will be moving forward with the repairs.

"We contacted Rudydale and it sounds like they will try to get on this immediately. I think the best plan is - it may be inconvenient while they're doing it - we might be shutting that strip of road down because there's really no safe way to (drive through) what they're going to be doing on that road."

Though town employees recently went in to do some basic pothole work, the solution was temporary, as the weather quickly deteriorated the patch work, he said.

"So we have to look at what's going to get us the longest life. For now, this seems to be the most economical way to approach it."

MAYOR BRIAN WITTAL

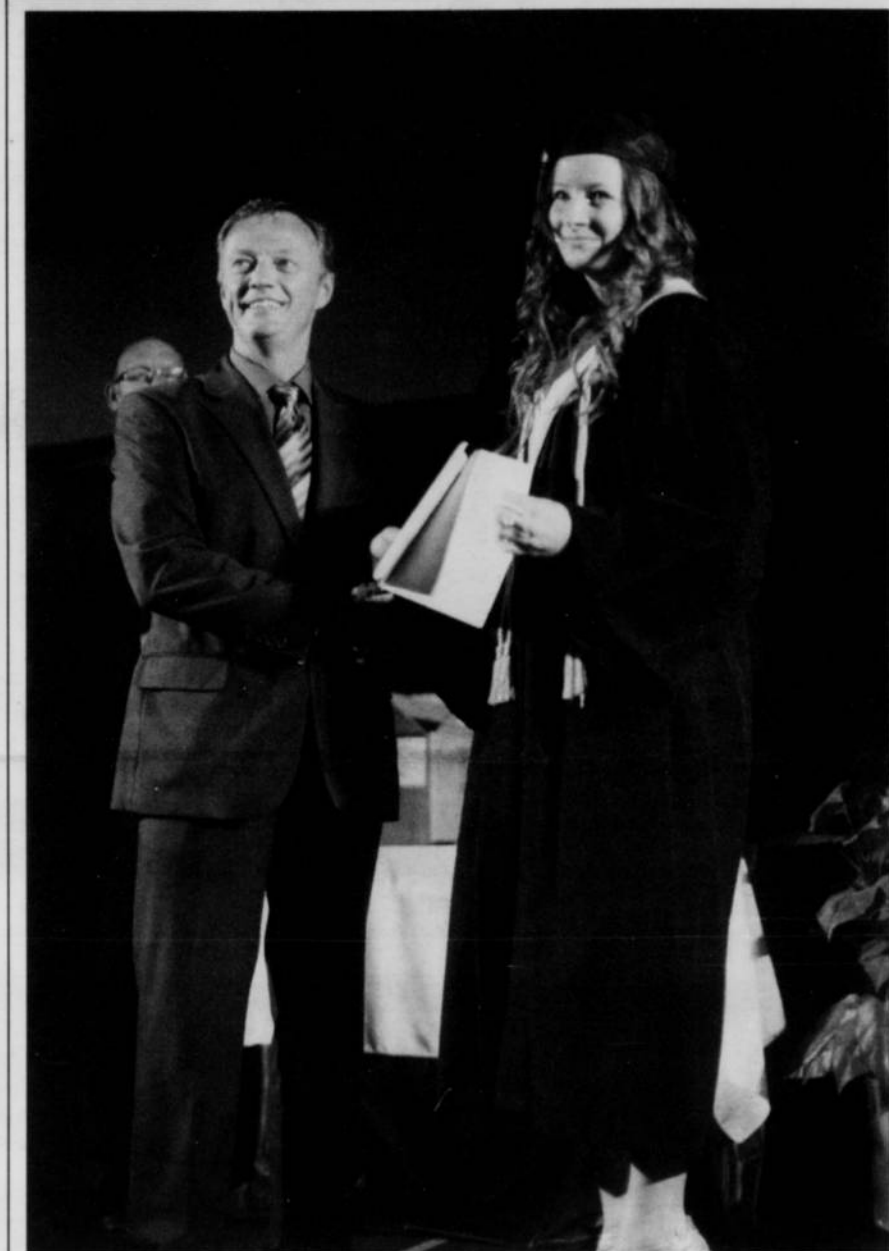
"It gets to be a losing battle. We're hoping that this will give us a five-to-seven year window, then from what the contractor is saying, there's potential to go back in three to five years and put another lift on it, because we'll have a decent base, and we should be able to get 10 years out of it at least."

One of the alternative tenders was submitted by Bluebird Contracting Services Ltd., and that plan included stripping all existing asphalt, repacking the base, and then building on top of that.

At the council meeting, Coun. LaVar Adams said he thought that this option would be the best, despite costing the town about \$100,000 more than Rudydale's proposal.

However, council decided to go with the cheaper option, and Wittal explained that though it would be ideal to do the full job, the price tag definitely put a damper on the idea.

"(Rudydale is) saying they can adhere to the exist-



GRADUATION - Principal Garth Dagg, left, poses with Lorain Buck in the DHS gym during the presentation of certificates at the graduation ceremony on Thursday, June 27.

ing surface that's there, and that's how they do it with paving. They say it's better to do that and just leave what's there, and then that starts acting as your base and you start building it up," he explained.

He noted it is more efficient to do it that way than to destroy the existing base and start over, when the ground the road is sitting on now has to be completely reworked anyway.

"Sometimes it seems like a no-win situation," he added, noting that the base of the road in the

coulee needs proper drainage for anything to last a significant amount of time, though the costs are too high for the town to afford reconstructing it at this time.

"So we have to look at what's going to get us the longest life. For now, this seems to be the most economical way to approach it."

The total cost will be \$157,828, less GST, plus a 12.5 per cent contingency for extra base layer material if needed.

ATTENTION TOWN OF DIDSBURY RESIDENTS

Please ensure you check your mail boxes for a new garbage and compost schedule along with a pickup zone map. Your original pickup date may change dependant on your location within the Town. Blue Bin pickup will begin on the week of July 15; from then on, blue bins will be picked up every week, and green and black bins will be collected on alternate weeks. The Blue Bins and a guide to using the new system will be delivered the week of July 8.



Council remuneration stays the same

Town council voted not to raise the remuneration – or wages – of councilors and the mayor for the coming term.

Mayor Brian Wittal said every three years in the past – close to the next election – councils have reviewed their wages, adjusted them according to cost of living, and compared them to average remuneration across the region.

"So prior to the end of the term – the last one we had was a citizen's committee got together and reviewed municipalities around us and throughout the province to come up with what they felt was a good average, and that's what we currently have in place," he said.

This year, administration staff did the study and found that the current wages, though slightly below average when compared to other municipalities, were close enough not to raise them, he added.

"So we felt that's where we want to be, so that was sufficient, we felt, for the next term going forward is that those dollars do not need to be increased," he said.

Now that council terms will be four years instead of three, the studies will likely be done in the fourth year of a council's term, so they will be setting the rates for the next council, he noted.

"And we've always felt that was appropriate so we're not setting it for us. Yes, you may be running again but there's no guarantee. So you're setting it for the next individuals as to what you feel is a fair rate."

He added council does not want to be either on the high or low sides of the average rates.

Recycling bin bonnets

Following the recycling contract signing between Can-Pak Environmental Inc. and the Town of Didsbury, officials have been looking into ways to make the recycling bins easier to work with.

At the May 28 council meeting, administration was directed to look at some options regarding the bins.

Mayor Brian Wittal said one of the options considered was the purchase

of plastic bonnets that cover the boxes and keep loose papers from blowing away.

Though it sounds like a good idea, he said after administration talked to Okotoks officials about the bonnets – which they currently use on their boxes – they found the bonnets are more trouble than they are worth.

"It's fairly tight on top of the box, so if you have things that are going to sit in there above the edge, you won't be able to put this bonnet on anyways, so we thought there are other ways people can do it...so I guess as we start doing it we're going to have to see."

Another problem with the bonnets is that Can-Pak employees would have to spend extra time taking the covers off, which could lead to significant time loss if every residence in town uses them, he added.

He suggested bungee cords could be

used with the same benefit, while not holding up workers substantially.

"For the effectiveness of the bonnets that they've seen in other communities, (Can-Pak) don't believe it's the right way to go."

Rosebud sanitary trunk

Now that developers are looking to move ahead on a project north of the Valarosa subdivision, town officials are starting with the preliminary work on the Rosebud sanitary trunk expansion that will run underground through the Rosebud Valley.

Mayor Brian Wittal said the sanitation trunk construction won't likely be starting until next year, though engineers will be getting out to do some preliminary planning so officials can go ahead with it, potentially next year.

Though the developers had been

looking at starting construction in the area for some time, the town needed an official notice as to when, in order to start the project, he noted.

"We knew it was going to come, but until we have a notice of intent from the developer that they want to move forward with that, we're not going to spend money to put that line in if they're not going to do it in the next five years," said Wittal.

"So now that we know they are wanting to move forward with that project...this moves it up the priority list from a development perspective."

The sanitation trunk will run kitty-corner through Bill and Kathleen Windsor's property, which hosts the Rosebud Sled Dog Races, among other things, and connect to the lagoon east of town, he noted.

The expansion isn't just for the new development either, as the new trunk will also tie into Valarosa's existing system and enhance the flow from that subdivision as well, lessening the load the current system is handling, he added.



Kevin Vink/MVP Staff

BURSARIES - AG Foods Manager Greg Poirier (left) presented some of his Grade 12 staff with bursaries for \$250, to be put towards their continuing education. From left to right are Jordan Gustavson, Jared Hartman, Victoria Burrell, Katherine Crowe and Scott Best.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, July 23 at 7:00 pm.
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING: Tuesday, July 16 at 7:00 pm.
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION: Wednesday, July 10 at 4:30 p.m.
Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in Council Chambers at the Town Office.

Alberta/Japan Twinned Municipalities Conference

The public is cordially invited to welcome the delegates of the Alberta/Japan Twinned Municipalities Association and our Special Delegates from Miki Town Japan at the opening ceremonies of the 15th Annual Alberta/Japan Twinned Municipalities Conference on Friday, July 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Didsbury Curling Club. There will be special guest speakers and entertainment by the Polyesters. There is no cost to attend this event.

The Town of Didsbury would also like to invite everyone to the Ground Breaking Ceremony of a Miki Japanese Garden to be located the Kinsmen Park on 23rd Street. at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 6.

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Graduate starting up princess party company

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

Graduation can be an exciting and daunting landmark for young adults, but Shyanne Reimer sees it more as an opportunity to get out into the world and explore her options.

Reimer - who recently graduated from the Didsbury Career High School - already has a few options in mind, though she is currently focusing on starting up a company of her own in the field of Disney princess-themed party entertainment.

She got the idea from her mom, who was talking about her cousin who does the same thing elsewhere.

"She was saying how nice it would be for somebody in the area to have that kind of thing for families and different events that go on," said Reimer.

"So she thought of me when she thought of someone who would be good at it, so I thought 'I might as well try something different, seeing as no one else does it.' So it's just kind of a mixture of a bunch of people's ideas and saying what they wanted and me trying to accommodate that," she added.

Despite aspiring to attend post-secondary, possibly to gain an education in medical lab assisting, she is hoping to stay in the area for a few years and work until she is ready to take that step.

"It's very different from princess parties and stuff like that, but I think I would enjoy that sort of thing," she noted, adding that she currently works at the Aspen Ridge Lodge.

"I like exploring lots of different things and then figuring out what I

like to do most out of all of them."

She has done a couple of events so far, one last September in Airdrie during the Artember festival, one at another party in Airdrie as Tinkerbell from Peter Pan, and Ross Ford Elementary School as Jasmine from Aladdin.

"So I've done a few. It's not overly busy but I'm still getting my name out there," she noted.

One of her favourite aspects is interacting with the kids as some of their favourite Disney characters, she said.

"I enjoy being with the kids the most. I really like seeing how they react and making their fantasies kind of come true, because they think you're real."

She usually does crafts or play games with the kids. Some families ask her to tell stories or read books to the children, and she has also done dance parties.

"Those are a little more difficult, but you figure out how to do a dance with the kids. It's often younger kids so you have to be really basic with what you do but you have to try," she said.

She currently has four costumes - Tinkerbell, Jasmine, Belle, and Cinderella - and is looking forward to purchasing more as her business progresses.

"I know a common one is Ariel and Sleeping Beauty, and then there's Snow White, so there's a few more to get but you have to start somewhere."

She said she will book parties from Airdrie to Red Deer and anywhere in between, and can be reached by email at (shyagroovyone@gmail.com).



Shanna Shulz (left) and Brooke Bednarz (right) put together some crafts with the guidance of Princess Belle (Shyanne Reimer) at a birthday party in the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church on Sunday, June 23.

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Town recycling service commences

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

As of this week, Didsbury's new waste collection service will be commencing.

Along with waste and organic collection, the new recycling bins will also be collected on a weekly basis. There are very minimal changes to the current garbage and organic collection that will affect residents.

Collection for both

will now be spread out over a three-day period, compared to the usual two-day period that has taken place in the past. Most residents will not notice any change to their service as the town and its contractor, Can-Pak, have attempted to minimize the impact on the majority of residents.

Town officials are excited to include curbside recycling pickup in their continued effort to divert recyclable mate-

rial from the landfill.

Residents will have received recycling bins prior to the July long weekend, as well as information packages that provide helpful hints, a list of recyclable material, and a new pickup schedule dependent on residents' locations.

Recyclable materials will be picked up weekly and residents are asked to place their recycling bin in their usual pickup location.

With the addition of curbside recycling collection, the recycling depot on 19 Street will be closing, effective Sunday, July 14.

Residents who find they have more recyclable material than can be picked up are still encouraged to utilize the recycling centre located at the landfill just north of town.

One further change is that the organic waste

will only be collected between April 1 and October 31 annually.

This cost-effective change was implemented due to the lack of organic material that has been picked up during the winter months in the past.

In essence, garbage service will not change other than the contractors picking it up.

A toll-free phone line has been set up to contact Can-Pak at: 1-855-747-3456 for questions and comments after the July 1 transition.

Town officials say that if residents have more material than will fit into

the bin provided, they can place the remaining recycling under or around the bin, and if it is recyclable, it will be taken.

They suggest residents can either provide their own box - labelled "Do not take" to avoid having the container itself recycled - or purchase additional bins at the town office for \$8. Additional bins will not change the price of pickup.

The smaller bins, they explain, are being used to avoid recycle contamination. Larger urban centres that use rollout carts have contamina-

tion levels exceeding 30 per cent, meaning the entire load is considered trash.

Recyclable materials include: flattened cardboard, small metals, clean glass, and plastics with the lids off.

Materials that are not accepted include: waxed cardboard, paper towels or tissues, ceramics, china, glass plates, light bulbs, mirrors, Tupperware or similar containers, Styrofoam of any kind, disposable diapers, kitty litter, electronics, clothing, footwear, and liquids of any kind.



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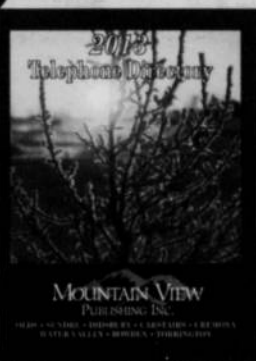
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The Didsbury Elks and Didsbury Royal Purple put together funds totalling \$10,000, to be put towards the new helipad to be built near the hospital. (From left), Joan Hannah, secretary of the Didsbury Royal Purple, Albert OhiHauser, chair, and Clem Kuelker, past-chair of the Rosebud Health Foundation, and Terry Phillips, exalted ruler of the Didsbury Elks. The RHF has raised a total of \$160,000 to date for the helipad.

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Didsbury High School Grad 2013

Students and staff wrap up year with ceremony and banquet

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

Didsbury High School (DHS) graduates celebrated their achievements late last week, during an awards and graduation ceremony on Thursday and a banquet Friday.

Mark Schultz, a DHS teacher who also took on the role of grad advisor said 56 students graduated this year.

The class valedictorian, Chelsea Budd, was chosen because of her high academic standing, he added.

There was about \$30,000 awarded in scholarships to about 20 of the graduates who plan to go on to post-secondary, he said.

"We do our (scholarships) a little bit differently," said Schultz.

"We solicit donations from businesses for our scholarship fund, and then students that apply that are moving on to post-secondary, they apply to receive some of that money.

"Then we have a scholarship committee which decided which scholarships go to which students and divvy up the money that way."

He said there are no specific names to scholarships other than the donor names, as the donations are collected from businesses and groups in the town and surrounding area.

The cap and gown event Thursday evening was the formal ceremony, which began with scholarship and award presentations, he said.

"And our awards consist of highest standing for all Grade 12 level courses, so individual students were recognized for their academic accomplishments," he said, noting that honour roll awards were given out - to those with an average of 80 to 89 per cent - as well as honours with distinction - which students need above a 90 per cent average to achieve.

"Then we have some special awards. This year we gave out two male athlete of the year awards... our female athlete of the year is not a Grade 12 student so that award is being given out at another time," he noted.

Matt Johnson and Sawyer Topping were named as the Male Athletes of the Year, he said.

The school also presented an All-Around Grade 12 Student award, which went to Matt Johnson.

The Most Improved Student award went to Emily Thompson.

"And we have two other special awards, the spirit of youth award (which was awarded to Jesse Morales)," he said.

"That is a student that goes above and beyond in a leadership-type role, but without being kind of the noted leader. Does lots of helpful things, is a very polite and pleasant student that works hard all the time, and contributes to the general makeup of the grad class itself," he noted.

The school staff also presented a second special award, which is the Dragon's Code Award.

"And we have, in a sense, a code of five terms that we have: caring, trust, respect, family and responsibility," he said.

Chelsea Budd was awarded with the Dragon's Code Award.

"So those are a number of our special awards we presented."

Friday was the celebration banquet night, which began in the afternoon with a group photograph at West Hill Park, with the graduating class dressed up in tuxedos and dresses.

From there, the class and their guests went to the memorial complex, which was set up for the dinner, where students and staff gave speeches and toasts for the audience.

Then at about 8 p.m., after the dinner, the graduates took part in the March of the Graduates, where they got introduced to the crowd individually and paraded around the arena, he added.

Afterwards, the students participated in a graduate party at an undisclosed location.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Graduates listen to a speech during the graduation ceremony at the high school last Thursday, June 27.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Valedictorian Chelsea Budd gives her address during the ceremony.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Principal Garth Dagg, left, poses with Derek Alcorn during the presentation of certificates.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Graduates clap after a speech during Didsbury High School's class of 2013 graduation and awards ceremony.

Opinion

Editorial

Bully fight should be hard fought

With far too many Alberta young people, including some right here in West Central Alberta, continuing to face bullying as part of their everyday lives, stakeholders at every level have a vested interest as never before in seeing it curtailed, if not eliminated outright.

With that in mind, the Redford government must make it a top priority to do whatever is necessary to protect bullying victims and to encourage, and if need be force, bullies to change their ways.



DAN SINGLETON

While school boards and other organizations that deal with young people on a regular basis are doing more and more to fight bullying these days, the provincial government is in a unique position of being able to bring almost unlimited resources to bear in the anti-bullying fight.

During the recent premiers' conference in Winnipeg, bullying was one of the keynote issues discussed, with premiers and other MLAs talking about what can and should be done to ramp up the stop bullying battle.

The British Columbia government has recently taken a big step in targeting bullies by introducing an online reporting mechanism with its "Erase Bullying" initiative.

As part of the B.C. government response to the suicide death of bullied teenage Amanda Todd, the new Internet-based B.C. system allows students and other young people to report bullying as soon as it happens, with officials such as police and teachers, in turn, being notified almost immediately.

"They're always allowed to report anonymously and we have built-in protection so they know they will not necessarily be identified if they don't want to. It's been very, very effective," said B.C. premier Christy Clark.

As past cases have shown time and again, the faster bullies can be confronted, the faster they can be brought under scrutiny, and the faster victims can be supported and allowed to move on with their lives.

As with other types of serious criminal activities, the key to combating bullying is, in many cases, a matter of quick action by stakeholders who can make a difference.

Make no mistake, the Redford government has already made important strides in fighting bullying in this province, including implementing worthwhile changes to the Education Act and the Children First Act, helping to better facilitate information sharing about children at risk with police, teachers and others who can help.

A next good step for the Redford government would be to move forward with a B.C.-style online reporting system.

Alberta young people are just like young people in other parts of Canada – all they want is a fair opportunity to move forward into adulthood with a reasonable chance of success.

And that can best happen in a bully-free Alberta.



Commentary

Let's rebuild together, responsibly

DEREK FILDEBRANDT

With the flood waters receding and families picking through the ruins of their homes, Alberta's government has pledged at least \$1 billion in disaster relief. It will come as a surprise to everyone if the final bill isn't a lot higher than that.

The flood devastated my own community of Bowness, yet volunteers arrived in droves with shovels and goodwill to help their neighbours. At the height of the flood, Calgaryans patrolled the streets in neighbourhood watches and helped each other in countless acts of good deeds.

As we gutted a basement in my neighbourhood, a poor woman from the trailer park went house to house handing out McDonald's hamburgers to the volunteers.

Since day one, the mayor, the premier, the opposition parties and the prime minister have all put politics aside to do the right thing. Calgary and southern Alberta have come together with a sense of solidarity rarely seen. There will be very few who complain about the massive cost attached to rebuilding our cities, communities and families.

But this massive sum of money has to come from somewhere. Until very recently, Alberta had a 'rainy day fund' for just such emergencies, known as the

Sustainability Fund. In 2009-10, we started the year with \$16.8 billion set aside. Unfortunately, we spent our rainy day fund during sunny and fair-weather days. With Alberta now devastated by disaster, we have effectively nothing left.

But the mistakes of the past are no excuse for inaction in rebuilding our communities right now. The money is badly needed, and must be found somewhere.

War and natural disasters are the only two circumstances in which a government should seriously consider borrowing. Anyone who has seen the destruction knows that this is one such circumstance.

The problem is that Alberta is already running a consolidated deficit of \$5.1 billion this year and will take on more than \$15 billion in new debt over the next three years. To continue borrowing this money while Alberta is required to borrow new billions for disaster relief would be grossly irresponsible.

Then from where should the disaster relief funding come?

Once the urgency of the disaster has passed, Premier Redford should recall the legislature and pass an emergency budget. This budget should reallocate existing dollars from program and capital spending into a dedicated fund for flood relief. All previous bud-

getary promises in the province became obsolete late last week.

An emergency budget that reallocates money currently earmarked for other spending envelopes towards relief and rebuilding might be tough, but it would be the responsible thing to do.

Spending on items that were 'nice to have' need to be sacrificed for the 'need to have' right now.

And debate about what to do with the extra \$52 million in property taxes held by the City of Calgary would seem to have been settled by Mother Nature.

So far, few have played politics with the flood, and such an emergency budget may even find support from the opposition parties to rush it through. Albertans expect all of their leaders to work together right now. The debates of last week are a luxury that we can return to in due course.

We also need to address long-term issues around disaster funding.

But right now, there is a job to do. Volunteers are rolling up their sleeves and government at all levels has stepped up to the plate.

Albertans are keenly aware of the gigantic task ahead of us. Let's do it responsibly. Together.

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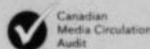
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Helen May Lane, 72, entered into eternal peace on Monday, June 24, 2013, surrounded by her mother and two sisters. Helen was born on March 31, 1941, the daughter of Maynie and the late Leo Winters.

Helen was a lifetime member of the Royal Purple and attended church regularly when she was in good health. Helen was a very kind and gentle soul; she had a loving and generous heart, and was always giving to others.

She leaves her loving memories to be cherished by her loving mother Maynie Winters; thoughtful sisters Edith Winters and Phyllis Mackie; dear sons Chris, Mark, and Doug; many grandchildren and her nephew.

A funeral service was held on Thursday June 27, 2013 at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury, AB. The family would like to thank the staff and volunteers at Unit 1 of the Didsbury Hospital for taking great care of Helen for many years. The family would appreciate any memorial contributions be made to the Cerebral Palsy Association in Alberta, Life Without Limits Abilities Centre (12001 44th St SE, Calgary, AB T2Z 4G9). Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Olds, entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610
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